GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:37
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WATERSHED DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the name of the States where Watershed Development Projects have been launched during the last three years;

(b) whether any review has been made by the Government of the implementation of these projects; and

(c) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress of work made thereunder, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI VENKAIAH NAIDU)

(a) to (c): A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement Referred to in reply to Parts (a) to (c) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 37 for Answer on 21st November, 2000.

The Department of Land Resources in the Ministry ofRural Development are implementing three major Programmes for development of Non-forest Wastelands on Watershed basis, namely the Integrated Wastelands Development Programme (IWDP),the Drought Prone Areas Programme (DPAP) and the Desert Development Programme (DDP).

2. While the DPAP is one of the Area Development Programmeslaunched in 1973-74 to tackle the special problems faced by those areas which are often affected by severe drought conditions, the DDP was initiated in 1977-78to mitigate the adverse effects of desertification. The IWDP was launched in 1989-90 for the integrated development of Wastelands. Following the recommendations of a Committee (headed by Prof. Hanumantha Rao), all three Programmes are being implemented through Watershed Approach, under the Guidelines for Watershed Development, w.e.f. 1st April, 1995. The names of the States where the Programmes have been implemented during the last three years are contained in Annexure-I.

3 . For the implementation of the Watershed Development Programmes, institutional arrangements like the State Wastershed Programme Implementation and Review Committees andthe Watershed Development Advisory Committees have been made by the Central Government to monitor, review and evaluate the progress of implementation of these projects at the State and District levels. The Department of Land Resources has prescribed submission of Quarterly Progress Reportsby the DRDAs,the progress is reviewed by the Programme Divisions and funds are being released to the State Institutes of RuralDevelopment to organize/undertake evaluations of the Watershed Projects.

4 . The details of funds released for the projects sanctioned during 1997-98 to 1999-2000, as well as for the ongoing projects, Programme-wise and State-wise, are contained in Annexure-II.

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 37 due for answer on 21st November, 2000.

Sl.No.	Programmes	Names of States
1.	IWDP	Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Haryana, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka,Kerala, Maharashtra, Meghalaya, Manipur, Madhya Pradesh, Nagaland, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura and Uttar Pradesh.

2. DPAP Andhra Pradesh, Bihar, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.

3. DDP Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka and Rajasthan.

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in Reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 37 due for answer on 21st November, 2000.

(Rs. in Crores)

Sl. No.	Name of the State	IWDP	DPAP	DDP
1.	Andhra Pradesh	30.06	72.54	13.42
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.09		
3.	Assam	2.59		
4.	Bihar	0.38	5.83	
5.	Gujarat	13.45	21.84	47.12
6.	Haryana	2.46	18.59	
7.	Himachal Pradesh	11.84	2.12	4.35
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	3.36	3.72	12.96
9.	Karnataka	16.55	24.97	14.07
10.	Kerala	1.19		
11.	Maharashtra	6.60	31.83	
12.	Madhya Pradesh	14.84	31.77	
13.	Manipur	5.88		
14.	Meghalaya	0.65		
15.	Nagaland	8.50		
16.	Orissa	11.53	3.85	
17.	Punjab	0.14		
18.	Rajasthan	11.96	9.78	124.29
19.	Sikkim	6.32		
20.	Tamil Nadu	9.43	18.07	
21.	Tripura	0.70		
22.	Uttar Pradesh	37.90	27.74	
23.	West Bengal	0.00	4.69	
	TOTAL	196.42	258.75	234.80